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103—GIGANTIC BIRDS—103

THREE BABY OSTRICHES JUST HATCHED.
All the birds in full plumage—The strangest sight in America—Take the Pasadena Electric, fare 10c. Terminal R.R. Co., fare 5c.

Delightful, shady grounds with swings for children.

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BASEBALL EVERY SUNDAY 1:30.

HE WAS POPULAR.

Country People Come in Crowds to the Funeral of Gutierrez. (By DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)

ALBUQUERQUE (N. M.) Feb. 15.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) The funeral services over the body of the dead lawyer and ranchman, Frank A. Gutierrez, who was shot and killed Sunday morning by Manuel D. Gonzales, took place this morning at the Church of Immaculate Conception, Rev. Mandalor officiating.

The church building and the street for half a square in front were crowded with people, for the dead man was very popular with the country people,

and they came in droves. The procession was one of the largest ever held in this city. Burial was in Santa Barbara Cemetery. The preliminary hearing of Gonzales will take place before Justice Duran tomorrow morning.

Sunday Deed is Void.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—The appeal of Hill, Fontaine & Co. of St. Louis from the decision of the United States Circuit Court of Arkansas in their suit against Henry C. and Laura Hite, to foreclose a deed of trust, was affirmed in affirmatively judgment in favor of the defendants by the Court of Appeals Monday, that court holding that the deed was void because executed on Sunday.

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BLOWN UP.

Great Battleship Maine a Mass of Ruins.

Wrecked as She Lay in the Harbor of Havana.

Force of the Explosion Broke All Windows Ashore.

OVER ONE HUNDRED KILLED.

Two Hundred Missing and Many are Wounded.

Theories as to the Cause of the Terrible Disaster.

Admiral Manterola Thinks That a Grenade Was Thrown.

THE SCENE AN AWFUL ONE.

Wildest Consternation at Havana. The Spanish War Vessels' Boats Sent to Assist—De Lome Leaves Washington—Amazon Caught.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

HAVANA, Feb. 15.—[By Central American Cable.] The wildest consternation prevails in Havana. The wharves are crowded with thousands of people. It is believed the explosion occurred in a small powder magazine. At 10:45 what remains of the Maine is still burning. Capt. Sigsbee and the other officers have been saved. It is estimated that over one hundred of the crew were killed but it is impossible as yet to give exact details.

Admiral Manterola has ordered that boats of all kinds should go to the assistance of the Maine and her wounded. The Havana firemen are giving aid, tending carefully to the wounded as they are brought ashore. It is a terrible sight. Gen. Zolano and the other generals have orders from Capt. Gen. Blanco to take steps to help the Maine's crew in every way possible. The correspondent of the Associated Press has been near the Maine in one of the boats of the cruiser Alfonso XIII, and seen others of the wounded who corroborate the statement of those first interviewed that they were asleep when the explosion occurred.

Capt. Sigsbee says the explosion occurred in the bow of the vessel. He received a wound in the head. Orders were given to the officers to save themselves as best they could. The latter, who were literally thrown from their bunks in their night-clothing gave the necessary orders with great self-control. At 1:15 o'clock the Maine continues burning.

The first theory was that there had been a preliminary explosion in the Santa Barbara (magazine) of powder or dynamite below the water. Admiral Manterola believes that the first explosion was of a grenade that was hurled over the navy yard.

SECRETARY LONG'S ACTION.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Paymaster Charles W. Littlefield, who is given in the list of officers on the Maine, has recently been replaced by Paymaster Ryan. Littlefield is now in Washington.

The Maine was built in New York in 1890 at a cost of \$2,558,000. She had a steel hull and a complement of 874 men. Secretary Long received Capt. Sigsbee's dispatch but a few minutes before the Associated Press dispatches were handed him. He received the news with apparent calm, and his first act was to comply with Capt. Sigsbee's request that assistance be sent from Key West. He wired Capt. Forsythe at Key West to proceed with the naval tender Fern to Havana Harbor.

Secretary Long then sent for Capt. Dickens, and the two discussed Capt. Sigsbee's brief telegram. No other naval officers were present, and besides the Secretary and Capt. Dickens the naval colony here is ignorant of this disaster, the greatest which has beenfallen the American navy since the disaster in Aplia many years ago. The Secretary is inclined to believe that most of the officers of the Maine were on shore at the time of the accident, as it was still early in the night. While neither the Secretary nor Capt. Dickens is inclined to discuss the probable cause of the accident, several suggestions were ventured. They believe that it may have been caused by a fire in the bunkers, heating the bulkhead near a magazine, or that an accident may have occurred while inspecting high explosives for torpedoes. Of course, this is mere speculation, and the Secretary is anxious, while giving more detailed report from Capt. Sigsbee.

Later the Secretary sent another telegram to Key West, directing that the tender Mangrove also be sent to Havana.

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SILVER LEADERS OF THE THREE PARTIES MARSHAL FORCES.

Indulge in the Usual Diatribe Against the Gold Standard and Monopolies.

ONLY SILVERITES ARE HONEST.

HAVE THE ENTIRE REPUBLIC ON THEIR SHOULDERS.

Friends of the White Metal in the Different Parties Urged to Stand Together in the Great Fight.

ASSOCIATED PRESS NIGHT REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The address on behalf of the Democratic, Populist and Silver Republican parties, which are the result of the conferences which have been in progress among the leaders of these parties at the Capitol for the past few weeks, were issued today. They serve to indicate the views of the three parties in future election upon the financial issue as the question of paramount importance, and are separate appeals to each of the parties to consolidate all along the line for this purpose.

The address to Democrats is signed by Senator James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and is indorsed by the Democratic Congressional Committee; that to the Populists by Senator Marion Butler, chairman of the Populist National Committee, and the trial of other Populist members of the Senate and House, and that of the Silver Republicans by Chairman Charles Towne and the Silver Republicans in the Senate and House and also by ex-Senator Dubois. The Democratic address is as follows:

"The point: The surrender of the Republican party to the advocates of the gold standard and monopoly is at last complete. The present administration, called to power on the solemn pledge of the Republican National Convention at St. Louis, to promote bimetallism, has fulfilled and set aside Congress a bill, the leading purpose of which, the honorable Secretary of the Treasury avows, is to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard. The country has already, for twenty-four years, been so thoroughly committed to that standard by law and party by the usurpation of the executive branch of the government, that its effects are seen and felt on every hand; wages are reduced; work is harder to get; the weight of debt is doubled; the value of land and other property is reduced one-half or more, until the lives of people are made bitter with hard bondage. It is certainly not in the interest of humanity to have this condition of things more thoroughly established."

"The continued rise in value of gold, which is the same thing, the continual fall in price, must inevitably transfer all the wealth engrossed in active business, the actual creators of wealth, whether by hand, brain or capital, to those who, avoiding the risk and effort of active business, only draw interest. The increase of 145 per cent. in the value of money, caused by its increasing scarcity, from 1849 to 1849, as admitted by leading advocates of the gold standard, found expression at that time in extremely low prices and conditions of unparalleled distress."

"The discovery of gold and silver in extraordinary quantities and the great increase in the value of metallic money resulting therefrom relieved the distress and brought in its stead wonderful prosperity. Prices rose, business flourished, producers prospered, all were happy. Substantially this condition has been continued in both the precious metals and silver allowed to remain in use as money, because it were being found in nearly sufficient quantities to increase the volume of money in proportion to the developments of business. A wicked conspiracy, however, deprived one of them of the use of the other. This was done with deliberate purpose, to raise the value of the other by rendering its supply of metallic money relatively scarcer, as compared with the demand. From the hour of the consummation of this crime, mankind has suffered commercial disaster and social distress in almost constantly increasing measure, 'Just in proportion to the wealth and arts and civilization and expansion of commerce, business and industry, the inadequacy of the volume of gold is felt; its scarcity is emphasized, its value increased. The reparation of life and happiness, which is inseparable from a long course of declining prices, has now checked development and, if continued, will ultimately stifle civilization.'

"An eminent American, President Andrew of Brown University, wrote years ago, said: 'Our national debt on September 1, 1865, was \$2,750,000,000; it could then have been paid off with 18,000,000 bales of cotton, or 25,000,000 tons of bacon. When it was then reduced to 1,750,000,000, 30,000,000 bales of cotton, or 32,000,000 tons of bacon, it would have been required to pay it. In other words, while a nominal shrinkage of about 50 per cent. had taken place in the debt, it had, as measured in either of these terms, actually been enlarged by some 50 per cent.'

"Although more than half the principal of this enormous debt and every cent of accumulated interest had been paid by the labor of the United States, the holders of the bonds still hold a claim for most of the labor of the people that they held before these enormous payments had even been begun. The cruel confiscation of the lives and liberty of the laboring millions of this country, the most populous among the nations, has been committed in the name of civilization. Unless a government of the people, by the people, and for the people had perished from the earth, surely the present boldly-avowed scheme, not only to continue, but to increase these evils will not be permitted."

"In addition to this purpose of more thoroughly establishing the gold standard, the plan of the administration is to retire the paper money of the government to issue gold bonds and increase the power, privileges and profits of national banks. The retirement of the government paper money must reduce the volume of circulation and while the Secretary admits that the contraction of the money supply would be a great evil in two years time, in ten years a like amount of bonds for forty years would be, he calmly informs us that the national banks will probably issue a sufficient amount of money to prevent this enormous suffering. The national banks, however, had to be required to redeem their notes in gold, but it is arranged that the national government shall do so on demand, and after doing so the government must be content to have the national banks reimburse it 'in any kind of gold-backed money at the option of the banks.'

"We are frankly told that lawful money will be made 'relatively scarcer than it is now,' and that it is intended that under the operation of the new law the easiest to obtain will be lawful money. Practically all the money in the hands of people now, as the Secre-

tary distinctly admits, is in silver, chiefly in the form of silver certificates, the intended purpose of the bill to make it harder and more difficult to get these than gold."

"The monetary commission, selected by the Executive Committee of a self-constituted Indianapolis convention, which was assembled for the express purpose of the establishing of the gold standard, have also made a report and promulgated a bill, the provisions of which are so strikingly like the proposition of the Secretary of the Treasury, in all material particulars, as to suggest that the work was prepared and harmonized before either was given to the public. This report and bill are somewhat bolder in the assertion of the purposes entertained than is even the proposition of Mr. Gage. These distinctly propose that silver dollars shall not be coined, that all silver deposited in silver dollars shall be redeemed in gold; that the silver bullion on hand at present shall be sold, and suggest that silver dollars may also be melted down and sold as bullion. We are assured that the majority of the banks 'cannot be safe,' because, being based upon all the resources of all the banks issuing them, they are based upon the whole business of the country."

"Certainly no bank will become liable for its notes, because by another bank over which it has no control or supervision; hence this scheme must contemplate the establishment of some central bank authority, having the absolute control of the issue of all paper money—a great bank trust, pool or syndicate. With powers such as no man has ever had before had the audacity to suggest."

"This committee has called upon the commercial bodies all over the country to indorse their report. Thus the people of the upper Mississippi are intended, and of the great mass of its accomplishment. Considering all this, it is any wonder that the Spectator, one of the great English newspapers, should say, as it did some months since, 'The audacious, beyond all human experience, the mean capitalistic of America are determined to capture free opinion and to prevent criticism. They subsidize pulpits, they buy the press, they seat their well-paid attorneys in the United States Senate, and the like. They are so bold that it is easy to capture by the examples of generosity. Thus their design is to prevent any effective action which shall in any way weaken their authority or undermine the principles of justice, and in all other departments of the government, but wherever college facilities are susceptible to perverted generosity or inverted philanthropy, they carefully maneuver for either service or silence."

"The divine right of kings is to be succeeded by the divine right of millionaires, who propose to run every thing, not only the instruments of commerce and our industrial system, but also as far as possible, the pen of the editor, and the voice, if not the intellect, of the university professor. Having succeeded in this, the conspirators will more completely dominate the legislative, executive and judicial branches of our government, but will be solidly entrenched against retrenchment and retribution."

"Briefly stated, this is the part of the intruder's scheme. We do not arraign the entire party on these grounds. We arraign a system and denounce a conspiracy. We condemn individuals and organizations that support this system, and aid the conspiracy. The party that is the mouth-piece and agent of this conspiracy is just as dangerous under the name of the Chicago association as under another. In every campaign the gold syndicate and all the allied trusts and monopolies combine. They select the conventions they desire to control; they elect the candidates that they like, and then control them after they are elected. Those who are not their agents and who would not submit to their tyrannous spoilage should strenuously oppose the allied combination of gold and monopoly."

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TO LOAN—MONEY AT LOW RATE OF INTEREST on good improved city property; no commission. W. W. NEUER, room 315, Wilcox Building.

TO LOAN—\$100 IN SUMS TO SUIT AT reasonable rates; \$500 to \$50,000 at 6 per cent. Inquire W. F. BOSBYSHELL, 107 S. Broadway.

TO LOAN—\$500 TO \$50,000 PRIVATE MONEY at 6 per cent. on first-class residence property. LOCKHART & SON, 316 Wilcox Block.

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THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, Los Angeles, Feb. 15.—(Reported by George E. Franklin, Local Forecast Official.) At 5 o'clock a.m. the barometer registered 29.02; at 5 p.m., 29.92. Thermometer for the corresponding hours showed 45 deg. and 63 deg. Relative humidity, 5 a.m., 33 per cent; 5 p.m., 69 per cent. Wind, 5 m.p.h., north, velocity 1 miles; 5 p.m., west, velocity 4 miles. Maximum temperature, 84 deg.; minimum, 52 deg. Barometer reading at 6 a.m., 29.02.

WEATHER FORECASTS.—The pressure has fallen from the Pacific Coast to the plateau regions, the change since yesterday morning being marked in the vicinity of Puget Sound, where an area of low pressure is approaching, accompanied by cloudy weather and rain. Clear, slightly warmer weather prevails in Southern California, with continued dry land winds. The weather is much colder east of the mountains, freezing temperatures being reported with snow in the Missouri Valley.

Forecasts.—Local forecast for Los Angeles and vicinity: Fair weather tonight, probably fair Wednesday.

WEATHER FORECAST: SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—For Southern California: Cloudy Wednesday; westerly wind.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14.—The past week was much warmer than has occurred for some time past, with dry land winds prevailing, which counteracted the good effects of the recent light rains. The rains which fell the first week of the month were the heaviest of the previous one were generally light and insufficient for lasting benefit. The ground is again becoming very dry, and grain as well as vegetation generally are making very slow, if any, growth. Irrigation of orchards continues, both to supply water to trees and to fill the soil with moisture. The fair, warm weather of the past week was very favorable for orange picking. Lemons are being gathered in the citrus belt. Almonds and peach blossoms are beginning to bloom. The reports for the weekly bulletins are few at present, because there is very little to state in regard to farming operations on account of the continued drought.

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

The San Francisco Bulletin remarks: "A colored parson of Pasadena went to sleep lately with his mouth open, and a mouse ran down his throat. The reverend gentleman should either change his style of breathing or procure a neat wire screen door."

Gentle admonition is breathed forth in this wise by the Fresno Republican: "A Pasadena editor unkindly refers to a contemporary as an 'incubus,' which is pretty strong language to be used in that village, where anything stronger than circus lemonade is held to be a high crime."

The San Francisco Chronicle is of the opinion that "Guatemala is not a pleasant place of residence in these days, for the interval between the death or flight of one President and the formal installment of a new Executive is a period during which no one is sure of his safety. This helter-skelter style of Republican government may suit the Spanish-Americans, but it is not conducive to development of the country or to good immigration."

As is said by the Ventura Free Press "Santa Barbara is certainly abreast of the times. The Common Council of our neighbor has decided that it shall be considered a misdemeanor for any woman to wear a hat, cap or bonnet while in the opera-house, providing it obstructs the view of any other person in the opera-house during the time of any performance for which an entrance fee is charged. The penalty is not less than \$2.50 nor more than \$20 or ten days in jail. Talk about enterprise."

Here's another shattered romance. The Oakland Times says: "An illustrated 'story' of a gun girl at the Midwinter Fair, who became an artist's model, a burlesque actress and a grand dame by marriage in Mexico, made 'its first appearance on any stage' in a San Francisco paper a week or two ago, and is now having quite a run in the eastern press. Meanwhile Town Talk announces that the young woman is still in evidence and gives no evidence of having passed through any of the stages of the social evolution so gayly described."

The Oakland Tribune says: "The prosecution in the Luettgen case in Chicago is showing a lot of vigor for having succeeded in convicting Luettgen and sending him to prison for life. It is now after the witnesses who testified for him in the case, and proposes to have four of them indicted for perjury. This is an aftermath which those witnesses did not expect to reap, and if the same kind of spirit were shown by other public prosecutors, there might be very much less false swearing to acquit murderers and other criminals." Chicago sets an example which California, in particular, would do well to follow.

As is said by the Tulare Register with its accustomed energy and good judgment: "Those wildcat Spanish people, how long shall we bear with them! De Lome slandered the President, who had been patient with his country beyond the point of endurance almost, and the Spanish press nevertheless talks as though De Lome and not the President were the aggrieved party. Of course it is right that the administration at Washington should treat Spain with great care and forbearance. We want no war with that country even though we might whip her easily, for war costs lives and property and it would be no child's play, but they are a very exasperating people to deal with and no mistake."

The grip of the octopus is slowly loosening in Mid-California. As is said by the Oakland Enquirer: "The building of the San Joaquin Valley Railroad has had a marked effect in restoring confidence in railroad investments on this Coast. A few years ago such a thing as floating the bonds of a small railroad running into the foothills or mountains would have been impossible unless they were guaranteed by the Southern Pacific Company, because people thought only the Huntington syndicate could build and operate railroads. Now the success of the Valley road has restored the faith of capitalists, the latest illustration of it being the bonding for \$300,000 of the little Sierra Railroad, constructed by Prince Poniatowski. Local people took these bonds, and this has made possible the building of three electric railroads from Jameson town as feeders to the Sierra line, work upon these branches being just commenced."

MAN GOING TO KLONDIKE, woman going back to the frozen East, new, easy five-room cottage, all newly furnished, going to be sold for a song (\$250 cash, which includes furniture and house cat) and the balance \$10 a month; price \$500, worth \$1,000 cash. Langworthy Company, No. 228 S. Spring Street.

RESTING IN PEACE.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES MARKED FATHER MEYER'S FUNERAL.

AN OUTPOURING OF PEOPLE TO PAY TRIBUTE OF RESPECT—AN INNOVATION IN READING THE PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD IN ENGLISH.

The general services at St. Vincent's Church yesterday over the remains of the very Rev. A. J. Meyer, C. M., were unusually impressive and rendered all the more so by the multitude of people that filled the church.

The church interior was draped in black, the same somber hue dominating at the altar and around the pulpit. The casket rested in the main aisle, outside the sanctuary and close to the communion rail, which was covered with floral offerings from the various societies. The casket itself was covered with a pall of violets, which represented the floral collections of several hundred school children.

The front seats were reserved for the pall-bearers, clergymen of the various denominations represented, the Sisters of Mercy, Dominican Sisters and Sisters of the Immaculate Heart, the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Sisters of the Holy Names, from both the Boyle Heights Orphan Asylum and the Sisters' Hospital.

The assembly within the sanctuary, with attending acolytes, began chanting the Office of the Dead. The acolytes, holding the candle, the kneeling multitude, and rise and fall in the tones of the "Gregorian Chant" all combined to give almost a touch of awe to the solemnity.

At 9 o'clock Bishop Montgomery entered with the following vestments, added to his personal attendants, all of whom assisted in the ensuing ceremonies: Very Rev. J. Adem, vicar-general, assistant priest; Rev. P. Vicente, O.F.M., deacon; Rev. M. S. Liebana, sub-deacon; Rev. Clement Molina, assistant, ceremonies, and two assistant priests.

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THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

POLITICS IN IT.

PULL BEING EXERTED IN BE-HAUL OF OFFICER HIRIART.

The license of the Van Nys Bar Revoked—Boiler Inspector Scores a Victory.

LAYS IT UPON THE WOMAN.

"INDIAN PETE" SAYS HIS WIFE MURDERED COLLINS.

Everett's Bondsman Will Have to Indemnify the City for the Police Clerk's Defalcations. Henry O. Haines Fails.

The progress of the investigation of charges against Policeman Hiriart makes it apparent that a strong pull is being exerted in his behalf. That wheelhouse of the local Democracy, J. Mary Ann Brooks, is exerting himself to save the officer from discharge and a majority of the Commissioners seem quite willing to yield to the statesman's suggestion.

The Police Commission has revoked the license of the bar in the Van Nys Hotel because of a violation of the Sunday-closing ordinance.

The Boiler Inspector has triumphed in his fight to inspect the boilers of fire engines. The first inspection was made Monday.

Pete Garcia, better known as "Indian Pete," made an alleged confession yesterday of his knowledge of the murder of Charles Collins, and stated that it was his wife who struck the blow that ended the man's life. Mrs. Garcia denies the truth of the story.

Judge Allen decided yesterday that the bondsman of W. W. Everett, the defaulting police clerk, will have to indemnify the city for its losses.

Henry O. Haines, a large carriage and bicycle dealer has gone into insolvency.

AT THE CITY HALL.

A POLICEMAN'S PULL.

POLITICS PLAYING A PART IN THE HIRIART INVESTIGATION.

J. Mary Ann Brooks is Exerting His Influence in Behalf of His Henchmen—License of the Van Nys Bar Revoked.

The fine Italian hand of J. Mary Ann Brooks is very apparent in the pending investigation of charges against Policeman Pascual Hiriart. One of the dark spots upon the officer's record is the fact that for a long time he acted as body-guard for the redoubtable J. Mary Ann, and that eminent Democrat is now exerting his pull in behalf of his quondam henchman. That the pull is a strong one is as plain as a pike-staff. The politic Mayor Snyder is taking the role of special pleader for Hiriart, and there is every prospect that the investigation will end in a whitewash, despite the opposition of Commissioners Gibson and Wyman.

From the outset the proceedings in the Hiriart matter have worn a scaly and unattractive appearance to the police force on January 4. He was nominated to the position by Commissioner Preuss on the same day that he was elected. No opportunity was given to ascertain his fitness for the place, and no inquiry concerning the man was made by the new boss. In the commission investigated Hiriart's character before instead of after making the appointment, he would not now be on the force.

As soon as the appointment became known, criticism was heard on all hands. The public expected the keenest indignation, declaring that Hiriart was a man of bad habits and dissolute character; that he was the associate of criminals and that he had himself been suspected of complicity in a crime.

Reports from other sources were much which, if true, indicated that Hiriart was utterly unworthy of serving as a police officer.

These criticisms at first received scant attention, but they finally became so insistent that it was impossible to ignore them. Mr. Preuss was reluctant to admit that he had been made, but finally three weeks after the appointment, he made a virtue of necessity, and introduced a resolution that the charges against Hiriart should be investigated. That motion prevailed, and the investigation began on February 1.

More months ago the Police Commission adopted the rule that in all future investigations, attorneys would not be allowed to appear before the commission, in behalf of the parties concerned, to examine witnesses. That rule was enforced despite repeated objections. When a Chinaman endeavored to present a complaint against the police, he was obliged to prosecute his charges unaided by legal advice. The police have been accused repeatedly of flagrant brutality and injustice toward the Chinese, but as the victims were denied the assistance of attorneys, the investigation invariably ended in a whitewash.

But when the Hiriart investigation began, the majority of the commissioners refused to support the resolution and allow Hiriart to be represented by an attorney. This singular decision appeared still more singular when it transpired that the attorney retained to protect the officer's reputation was no other than D. K. Trask, the man whom Hiriart's sponsor, J. Mary Ann Brooks.

It was to be expected that the Mayor and Preuss would be readily responsive to such a pull as J. Mary Ann's. McLain's ambition to be Sheriff has made him susceptible to all sorts of influences, whether from the Commissioners Gibson or Wyman. They are receiving no active support in their efforts to make the investigation thorough one.

The proceedings yesterday served to illustrate the situation and the influences at work.

The first witness called was Special Officer Ross Phillips. He testified that he had known Hiriart about three years, and had repeatedly seen him in Chinatown, where Hiriart was usually found in the company of the Basket saloon. On most of these occasions Hiriart was under the influence of liquor, although "able to take care of himself." Witness usually encountered Hiriart a dozen times every month. On one occasion last November, he saw Hiriart very much under the influence of liquor.

Mr. Preuss asked the witness if he knew what Hiriart was doing in Chinatown.

"I don't know," replied Phillips; "he

said he was employed by Col. Brooks. I saw him around the cribs two or three times with Col. Brooks."

Mr. Trask, Hiriart's attorney, attempted to break the force of Phillips' testimony by cross-examination, but without any marked success.

After the witness had been dismissed, Mr. Preuss took occasion to observe that he "did not think much of the hearsay evidence against Hiriart."

The testimony of Officer Phillips, who repeatedly saw him drunk, was not heard, said Mr. Gibson.

"Well, it's not much better," replied Mr. Preuss.

The Mayor also took this view, declaring that he "didn't think there was very much in Phillips' testimony."

Just what evidence would be required to prove Hiriart's drunkenness was not stated.

Mr. Gibson stated that he had learned of a woman who was well acquainted with Hiriart's past career and who said that at one time Hiriart put a pistol to her head. She had been afraid to come before the board lest Hiriart should afterwards ill treat her.

Mr. Gibson said he was endeavoring to get the woman to appear and testify.

The next witness was Frank A. Gibson, cashier of the First National Bank. He related in detail the circumstances previously stated in a letter to the board. Several years ago Hiriart became intimate with a servant girl and finally seduced her under promise of marriage. When Mr. Gibson learned of the circumstances, and that the girl had become pregnant, he went to Hiriart and demanded that he marry her. Hiriart agreed, but finally consented and the marriage was performed in Mr. Gibson's office.

As Hiriart had no home, his wife was allowed to remain at Mr. Gibson's house until the discovery was made that Hiriart had been needed for the purpose of producing a miscegenation. Mr. Gibson then advised the girl to leave. Afterward Hiriart called at the house and demanded with threats that the medicine be given back to him.

A brief cross-examination brought out no facts of importance.

Hiriart lied in his own behalf an affidavit from a woman who had frequently visited Hiriart and his wife. She testified that Hiriart was always considerate and kind to his wife and friendly for the most part.

As no other witnesses were at hand, further investigation was postponed Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

SAOON LICENSE REVOKED.

An obviously disagreeable duty was performed by the Commissioners when attention was called to the violation of the Sunday-closing ordinance by W. H. Wiggins, the barkeeper at the Van Nys Hotel. When Wiggins was brought up for trial before Justice J. C. Owens, he was found guilty and was fined \$25. A transcript of the proceedings was read by the secretary of the commission.

Saloon licenses contain the provision that upon violation of the State law or a city ordinance the license shall be revoked.

Mayor Snyder asked rather uneasily, "Well, gentlemen, what is your pleasure?"

Mr. Wyman responded that the board must live up to its rules and the license must be revoked.

Mr. McLain demurred, but when the motion to revoke the license was put to vote, it was unanimously carried.

There was some discussion as to when the revocation would take effect.

Mr. McLain thought it should not take effect until Monday, but Mr. Gibson said that the license would be terminated just as soon as notice of the board's action had been given to the proprietor of the bar.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The application of Bob Kern for a transfer to himself of Theo Fries's license for the saloon at the corner of First and Broadway was granted.

The application of Henry Bickle for a saloon license at the corner of First and Spring streets was granted.

It is said that Bickle is the agent for F. Conroy, who formerly ran a saloon at the same location. Conroy's license was revoked a few weeks ago because of frequent and notorious breaches of the law.

J. S. Waldeck's application to transfer his saloon from No. 328 South Spring to No. 130 South Broadway was laid over and the applicant was informed that he must obtain the consent of the Court Commissioners, H. S. Rollins, who will pass upon it.

There were questions other than the constitutional question raised by the defendant bondsmen, but these are briefly disposed of in the written decision. The constitutional validity of the acts under which the Police Courts are created was attacked upon the ground that they provide special or local legislation. In this regard the Judges say:

"In reference to the contention of defendant that the Whitney Act is unconstitutional, it is sufficient for us to say that this is not an open question with this court, as it has been decided by the Supreme Court in a number of cases to be a constitutional and valid act (People vs. Whitney, 76 Cal. 442; ex parte Husted, 1 Cal. 471.) And

it may be said that most recent decisions of our Supreme Court tend toward a contrary opinion in that court as now constituted, yet this court, as a trial court, is bound by the direct question, the question involved, and it is for the Supreme Court to modify or reverse earlier decisions of this court."

All of the questions yet raised by those who are attacking the jurisdiction of the Police Court are decided except one. That question as to the effect of the act of 1887, changing the general classification of cities by which the population of cities of the second class was increased to 200,000, could not be raised in this case. This question, however, is to be argued in the Al Sang case, now pending before Judge Van Dyke.

APPOINTMENT OF A. Reed. J. A. Reed for appointment as regular policemen were received and filed.

BOILER INSPECTOR WINS.

He Inspects the Boiler of Engine No. 1.

The Boiler Inspector is on top in his protracted fight with the fire department. For months he has been endeavoring to inspect the boilers of the city's fire engines, in accordance with the provisions of the boiler ordinance. In this effort he met stubborn resistance from the fire department. Innumerable reasons for delay were discovered and the Boiler Inspector was notified to do his work. The inspection was made on Monday, the 11th. The boiler was subjected to a pressure of 10 pounds, and, contrary to expectations, it proved equal to the test. The inspection occupied only one hour. It was made in the presence of Fire Commissioners Moore and Sinsabaugh, Chief Moore and Frank Rademacher, and J. F. Fischer of the board of examining engineers.

The engine will be out of service altogether about four days. Another engine will be examined in about a week.

MADE A PROUD RECORD.

Judge Smith Dismisses the "Convicting Jury."

The term trial jurors who have just completed a four-months' term in Department One of the Superior Court were discharged yesterday morning. This jury during its term of service had acquired the reputation of being a convicting jury. Early in its incumbency, at the first trial of Charles Compton for forgery, the disreputable bribe affair in which Juror McIntyre was mixed up became public. McIntyre was promptly discharged, and then the jury had to decide whether to be proud of. More important criminals have been found guilty by this jury than by any other jury for a long time.

discharging the jury Judge Smith took occasion to commend the jurors for the able and efficient manner in which they have discharged their duty. He said:

"I desire to thank you for your conduct as jurors in while serving as such a trial. You have performed your duty in a manner that is highly commendable. You have not hesitated to return a verdict of guilty when you

AT THE COURT HOUSE.

AN ALLEGED CONFESSION

GARCIA SAYS HIS WIFE KILLED COLLINS.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

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